

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the section heading at page 1, line 1.

Please replace the section heading beginning at page 1, line 6, with the following rewritten section heading:

-- ~~TECHNICAL FIELD~~ BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION --

Please insert the following section heading at page 1, line 7:

-- Field of the Invention --

Please replace the section heading beginning at page 2, line 3, with the following rewritten section heading:

-- ~~BACKGROUND ART~~ DESCRIPTION OF RELATED ART --

Please insert the following section heading at page 7, after line 12:

-- SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --

Please delete the section heading at page 7, line 26.

Please replace the section heading beginning at page 24, line 16, with the following rewritten section heading:

-- ~~BEST MODE FOR CARRYING OUT THE INVENTION~~ DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS --